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SUBJECT: MARKET RESEARCH - BID REQUEST INSTRUCTION:

MOTOR VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING

EQUIPMENT, TAIWAN

REFERENCE: STATE A-891, 2/27/72; STATE A-1716, 2/18/72; STATE A-11780, 12/5/72

- 1. RESULTS OF PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS MOTOR VEHICLE
 MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING EQUIPMENT THEME INDICATE INTEREST
 ON PART OF U.S. INDUSTRY IN PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES IN
 TAIWAN. ACCORDINGLY WE PROPOSE CONTRACT FOR MARKET
 RESEARCH STUDY. IF RESEARCH INDICATES SUBSTANTIAL SALES
 OPPORTUNITIES COMMERCE WILL CONSIDER SPONSORING PROMOTIONAL
 EVENT ON THIS THEME IN DECEMBER 1975.
- 2. IN ORDER TO ALLOW SUFFICIENT LEAD TIME FOR PLANNING PROCUREMENT AND PROMOTION OF EVENT BY TARGET DATE REQUEST COMPLETED STUDY BY MAY 10, 1975. THIS CABLE PROVIDES SPECIFIC PRODUCT INFORMATION AND POINTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST UNCLASSIFIED

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FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH STANDARD MARKET RESEARCH BID

REQUEST PROCEDURES.

- 3. ACTION REQUESTED: POST IS REQUESTED TO SOLICIT BIDS FROM QUALIFIED FIRMS AND CABLE RESULTS IN ACCORDANCE SECTION 2A, A-1716.
- 4. IF CONTRACT TO BE AWARDED IN LOCAL CURRENCY, 0ID SOLICITATION SHOULD SO STATE AND REQUEST PROPOSALS BE SUBMITTED IN LOCAL CURRENCY. TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY OF BIDS SHOULD STATE LOCAL CURRENCY PRICE AND U.S. DOLLAR EQUIVALENT AT EXCHANGE RATE POST PROPOSES BE USED FOR ISSUANCE BUDGET AUTHORIZATION, IN ADDITION TO OTHER ITEMS AND AWARD RECOMMENDATION REE; QUIRED IN BID SUMMARY CABLE.
- 5. SUPERVISION OF CONTRACTOR, EVALUATION OF STUDY AND TRANSMITTAL TO WASHINGTON SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN PER SECTIONS 20, AND 2C, A-1716. PAYMENT TO 0E EFFECTED IN ACCORDANCE A-891.
- 6. FOR PURPOSES THIS STUDY, TRADE LIST REQUIREMENTS
 SPECIFIED APPENDIX A OF STANDARD MARKET RESEARCH
 INSTRUCTIONS ARE MODIFIED TO REQUIRE SUBMISSION AS MAJOR
 PROSPECTIVE CUSTOMERS ONLY THOSE PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENTAL
 ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE MAJOR VE,ICLE FLEET OPERATORS
 O, WHICH WOULD MAINTAIN OR REPAIR LARGE NUMBERS OF
 VEHICLES. LIST OF PRINCIPAL POTENTIAL AGENTS AND
 DISTRIBUTORS SHOULD INCLUDE AGENTS, DISTRIBUTORS, IMPORT
 HOUSES, JOBBERS, MANUFACTURERS AND ASSEMBLERS WHICH
 IMPORT OR MAY IMPORT PRODUCTS GERMANE TO THE STUDY.

7. PRODUCT CATEGORIES (1972 SIC BASIS)

3662671 ELECTRONIC AUTOMOTIVE EQUIP;ENT

3465013 AUTOMOTIVE STAMPINGS

3534031 AUTOMOBILE LIFTS (ELEVATORS) 3694 AUTOMOBILE ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT

35494 AUTOMOTIVE MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT,

INCLUDING DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT

37141 MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS AND ACCESSORIES 35860 GASOLINE AND OIL MEASURING AND

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DISPENSING PUMPS

34296 AUTOMOTIVE HARDWARE

2851711 AUTOMOTIVE LACQUERS, INCLUDING ACRYLICS

29117 AUTOMOTIVE LU0RICANTS

8. POINTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST FOR THIS STUDY ARE:

A. EXTENT TO WHICH MOTOR VEHICLE MARKET IS

DOMINATED BY NON-U.S. SUPPLIERS. ARE U.S. PRODUCTS IN THE PARTS AND ACCESSORIES MARKET COMPATIBLE WITH THE MAJORITY OF VEHICLES EXISTING IN TAIWAN?

- B. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS STUDY THE "END-USER"
 OF MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING EQUIPMENT WOULD
 BE DEFINED AS AN ENTERPRISE WHICH WOULD USE THE
 EQUIPMENT IN BUSINESS. THE NUMBER OF POTENTIAL
 END-USER CUSTOMERS WOULD INCLUDE SERVICE STATIONS,
 FLEET OPERATORS, REPAIR SHOPS, ETC. THE STUDY
 SHOULD CLEARLY IDENTIFY THE MARKET OPPORTUNITIES
 PROVIDED BY THESE END USERS.
- C. ALTHOUGH MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS ARE TE ULTIATE CONSUMER OF AUTOMOTIVE PARTS AND ACCESSORIES, ONLY LIMITED DATA IS NECESSARY FOR THIS BUYERS UNIVERSE. THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF; OTOR VEHICLES EXISTING ON TAIWAN AND A PROJECTED RATE OF INCREASE FOR THE YEARS 1975 TO 1977, ALONG WITH ANY FORSEEABLE TREND TOWARD DIFFERENT MAKES OR MODELS WOULD SATISFY THIS REQUIREMENT.
- 9. FOR THIS STUDY, PROVISIONS OF SECTION H, A-11780, ARE MODIFIED AS FOLLOWS:
- A. RESEARCH CONTRACTOR WILL PREPARE ALL TRADE LISTS.
- B. POST NEED NOT PREPARE WTD REPORTS AGAINST ENTRIES IN CONTRACTOR PROVIDED TRADE LISTS.

10. TARGET DATES ARE: UNCLASSIFIED

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- A. RECEIPT IN WASHINGTON OF TELEGRAPHIC BID SUMMARY: FEB. 17, 1975
- B. AWARD OF CONTRACT: FEB. 24, 1975
- C. COMPLETED STUDY RECEIVED IN WASHINGTON: MAY 10, 1975 KISSINGER

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